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1. Personnel: In the Polish Border Guard (WOP) and in Polish Army units, weapons chiefs are either Russians, Russian Jews, Polish Jews or pre-war Polish Communists. Russians and Jews constitute at least 90 per cent of such personnel. Examples of this policy are given below:
  - a. Colonel Bukhvalov: Chief of WOP Brigade Luban; Russian-born and 32 years of age; comes from Moscow; before World War II was a student at the Chemical Institute in Moscow.
  - b. Lieutenant Colonel Alizarchuk: Chief of WOP Brigade Koszalin; is a Byelorussian; ex-corporal of the pre-war Polish Army.
  - c. Lieutenant Colonel Margulies: Chief of WOP Brigade Kloczko; pre-war Russian-Jewish Communist.
  - d. Lieutenant Colonel Danski: Chief of WOP Brigade Szczecin; pre-war Polish-Jewish Communist.
  - e. Lieutenant Colonel Witold Kloczko: Chief of WOP Brigade Odansk; pre-war member of the Red Army; of Polish descent.
2. Political Sections: The WOP Political Sections, like those of the Polish Army units, are under direct orders of the Central Political Office of the Polish Army (Główny Zarząd Polityczny Wojska Polskiego) in Warsaw. This office provides all literature, propaganda, and instructions. In each unit to which they are attached, the Political Sections of the WOP and the Army organize Communist Party (PZPR) cells and cells of the ZMP (Polish Communist Youth Organization). They are the recruiting offices for both the PZPR and ZMP membership.
3. Information Sections:
  - a. The WOP Information Sections, whether attached to WOP brigades or to WOP battalions, are independent of the unit to which they are assigned. The commanding officer of each unit may be kept informed by the chief of its Information Section, but the latter is not obliged to perform this function. He is solely responsible for all secret correspondence, which is kept in the Secret Correspondence Office. WOP Information Sections receive their instructions directly from the Central Information

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Office (Główny Zarząd Informacji) in Warsaw, the chief of which is (fnu) Chalubinski. In some matters of secondary importance, the WOP Information Sections may receive their instructions from the Information Department of a D.O.W. (Dowództwo Okręgu Wojskowego - Military District Headquarters).

- b. WOP Information Sections, like those of all Polish Army units, are equivalent to the Soviet MGB ~~kontro-razvedka~~. The WOP Information Sections maintain card files on all officers, non-commissioned officers and most of the soldiers of the units to which they are attached. In addition, the sections place numerous informants among the WOP personnel of their unit. Persons suspected of harboring any sentiments against the regime are assigned special "information" informants whose task it is to keep the suspect under constant observation. The Information Sections are also interested in various residents of the border region who maintain relationships with WOP personnel.
- c. The Information Sections are, as a general rule, in close contact with the local U.S. offices, and the Information Sections consist principally of ex-LVD and ex-MGB members (sic).

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